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Fill in this information to identify your case:		
United States Bankruptcy Court for the:		
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS		
Case number (if known)	Chapter you are filing under:	
	☐ Chapter 7	
	☐ Chapter 11	
	☐ Chapter 12	
	Chapter 13	☐ Check if this an amended filing

Official Form 101

Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy

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The bankruptcy forms use you and Debtor 1 to refer to a debtor filing alone. A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*—and in joint cases, these forms use you to ask for information from both debtors. For example, if a form asks, "Do you own a car," the answer would be yes if either debtor owns a car. When information is needed about the spouses separately, the form uses *Debtor 1* and *Debtor 2* to distinguish between them. In joint cases, one of the spouses must report information as *Debtor 1* and the other as *Debtor 2*. The same person must be *Debtor 1* in all of the forms.

Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known). Answer every question.

Par	't 1:	Identify Yourself			
			About Debtor 1:	,	About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):
1.	You	r full name			
	your pictu exar licer Brin iden	e the name that is on a government-issued ure identification (for mple, your driver's use or passport). g your picture tification to your eting with the trustee.	Darrell First name J Middle name Townsend Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)	1	First name Middle name Last name and Suffix (Sr., Jr., II, III)
2.	use Inclu	other names you have d in the last 8 years ude your married or den names.			
3.	you num Indi	y the last 4 digits of r Social Security nber or federal vidual Taxpayer tification number	xxx-xx-4074		

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Debtor 1 Darrell J Townsend

Case number (if known)

	About Debtor 1:	About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):
Any business names and Employer Identification Numbers (EIN) you have used in the last 8 years Include trade names and doing business as names	I have not used any business name or EINs. Business name(s) EINs	☐ I have not used any business name or EINs. Business name(s) EINs
Where you live	3555 S. Cottage Grove Ave. Apt. 710	If Debtor 2 lives at a different address:
	Chicago, IL 60653 Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code Cook County If your mailing address is different from the one above, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to you at this mailing address.	Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code County If Debtor 2's mailing address is different from yours, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to this mailing address. Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code
Why you are choosing this district to file for bankruptcy	Check one: Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district. I have another reason. Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)	Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code Check one: Over the last 180 days before filing this petition, I have lived in this district longer than in any other district. I have another reason. Explain. (See 28 U.S.C. § 1408.)
	Employer Identification Numbers (EIN) you have used in the last 8 years Include trade names and doing business as names Where you live Why you are choosing this district to file for	Any business names and Employer Identification Numbers (EIN) you have used in the last 8 years Include trade names and doing business as names Business name(s) Business name(s) EINs Where you live 3555 S. Cottage Grove Ave. Apt. 710 Chicago, IL 60653 Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code Cook County If your mailing address is different from the one above, fill it in here. Note that the court will send any notices to you at this mailing address. Number, P.O. Box, Street, City, State & ZIP Code Check one: Why you are choosing this district to file for bankruptcy Check one: I have another reason.

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Par	Tell the Court About	our Ba	ankruptcy Ca	se				
7.	The chapter of the Bankruptcy Code you are	Check one. (For a brief description of each, see Notice Required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy (Form 2010)). Also, go to the top of page 1 and check the appropriate box.						
	choosing to file under	☐ Ch	napter 7					
		☐ Ch	napter 11					
		☐ Ch	napter 12					
		■ Ch	napter 13					
8.	How you will pay the fee	_	I will nay the	entire fee when I file my	netition Pla	asse check with t	he clerk's office in your	r local court for more details
.	now you will pay the rec		about how yo	u may pay. Typically, if yo attorney is submitting you	u are paying	the fee yourself,	you may pay with cash	n, cashier's check, or money n a credit card or check with
						e this option, sign	and attach the Applica	ation for Individuals to Pay
			Ū	e in Installments (Official F t my fee be waiyed (You	,	this option only if	you are filing for Char	oter 7. By law, a judge may,
			but is not requapplies to you	uired to, waive your fee, ar ur family size and you are	nd may do so unable to pay	only if your incom the fee in install	me is less than 150% oments). If you choose t	of the official poverty line that this option, you must fill out
			те Аррисанс	on to Have the Chapter 7 F	-IIIIIg Fee vva	iivea (Oniciai Fori	n 1036) and lile it with	your petition.
9.	Have you filed for bankruptcy within the	□ No						
	last 8 years?	■ Ye:	S.	N. District of IL				
			District	Eastern Division	When	12/17/14	Case number	14-44955
			District		When		Case number	
			District		When		Case number	
10.	Are any bankruptcy cases pending or being	■ No	<u> </u>					
	filed by a spouse who is not filing this case with you, or by a business partner, or by an affiliate?	☐ Ye	S.					
			Debtor				Relationship to y	ou
			District		When		Case number, if	
			Debtor				Relationship to y	ou
			District		When		Case number, if	known
11.	Do you rent your	■ No	Go to li	ine 12.				
	residence?	☐ Ye	s. Has yo	ur landlord obtained an ev	riction judgme	ent against you a	nd do you want to stay	in your residence?
				No. Go to line 12.				
				Yes. Fill out <i>Initial Statem</i> bankruptcy petition.	nent About ar	n Eviction Judgme	ent Against You (Form	101A) and file it with this

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Par	Report About Any Bu	sinesses \	You Owr	as a Sole Propriet	for	
12.	Are you a sole proprietor of any full- or part-time business?	■ No.	Go to	Part 4.		
		☐ Yes.	Name	and location of bus	iness	
	A sole proprietorship is a business you operate as an individual, and is not a separate legal entity such as a corporation, partnership, or LLC.		Name	e of business, if any		
	If you have more than one sole proprietorship, use a		Numb	er, Street, City, Stat	e & ZIP Code	
	separate sheet and attach it to this petition.		Chec	k the appropriate bo	x to describe your business:	
					ness (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(27A))	
				Single Asset Real	Estate (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(51B))	
				Stockbroker (as d	efined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(53A))	
		Commodity Broker (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6))		Commodity Broke	r (as defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(6))	
				None of the above		
Chapter 11 of the deadlines. If you indicate that you are a small business debtor, you must a				court must know whether you are a small business debtor so that it can set appropriate a small business debtor, you must attach your most recent balance sheet, statement of ederal income tax return or if any of these documents do not exist, follow the procedure		
	For a definition of <i>small</i> business debtor, see 11 U.S.C. § 101(51D).	■ No.	I am ı	not filing under Chap	tter 11.	
		□ No.	I am filing under Chapter 11, but I am NOT a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy Code.			
		☐ Yes.	I am f	iling under Chapter	11 and I am a small business debtor according to the definition in the Bankruptcy Code.	
Pari	t 4: Report if You Own or	Have Any	Hazardo	ous Property or An	y Property That Needs Immediate Attention	
	Do you own or have any	■ No.			,	
	property that poses or is					
	alleged to pose a threat of imminent and identifiable hazard to	☐ Yes.	What is	the hazard?		
	public health or safety? Or do you own any property that needs immediate attention?			liate attention is why is it needed?		
	For example, do you own perishable goods, or livestock that must be fed, or a building that needs urgent repairs?		Where is	s the property?	Number Street City State & Zin Code	
					Number, Street, City, State & Zip Code	

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Part 5:

Explain Your Efforts to Receive a Briefing About Credit Counseling

 Tell the court whether you have received a briefing about credit counseling.

The law requires that you receive a briefing about credit counseling before you file for bankruptcy. You must truthfully check one of the following choices. If you cannot do so, you are not eligible to file.

If you file anyway, the court can dismiss your case, you will lose whatever filing fee you paid, and your creditors can begin collection activities again.

About Debtor 1:

You must check one:

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

Within 14 days after you file this bankruptcy petition, you MUST file a copy of the certificate and payment plan, if any.

I certify that I asked for credit counseling services from an approved agency, but was unable to obtain those services during the 7 days after I made my request, and exigent circumstances merit a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement.

To ask for a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement, attach a separate sheet explaining what efforts you made to obtain the briefing, why you were unable to obtain it before you filed for bankruptcy, and what exigent circumstances required you to file this case.

Your case may be dismissed if the court is dissatisfied with your reasons for not receiving a briefing before you filed for bankruptcy. If the court is satisfied with your reasons, you must still receive a briefing within 30 days after you file. You must file a certificate from the approved agency, along with a copy of the payment plan you developed, if any. If you do not do so, your case may be dismissed.

Any extension of the 30-day deadline is granted only for cause and is limited to a maximum of 15 days.

 □ I am not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling because of:

☐ Incapacity.

I have a mental illness or a mental deficiency that makes me incapable of realizing or making rational decisions about finances.

☐ Disability.

My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

☐ Active duty.

I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver credit counseling with the court.

About Debtor 2 (Spouse Only in a Joint Case):

You must check one:

☐ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, and I received a certificate of completion.

Attach a copy of the certificate and the payment plan, if any, that you developed with the agency.

☐ I received a briefing from an approved credit counseling agency within the 180 days before I filed this bankruptcy petition, but I do not have a certificate of completion.

Within 14 days after you file this bankruptcy petition, you MUST file a copy of the certificate and payment plan, if any.

I certify that I asked for credit counseling services from an approved agency, but was unable to obtain those services during the 7 days after I made my request, and exigent circumstances merit a 30-day temporary waiver of the requirement.

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counseling because of:

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I have a mental illness or a mental deficiency that makes me incapable of realizing or making rational decisions about finances.

☐ Disability.

My physical disability causes me to be unable to participate in a briefing in person, by phone, or through the internet, even after I reasonably tried to do so.

☐ Active duty.

I am currently on active military duty in a military combat zone.

If you believe you are not required to receive a briefing about credit counseling, you must file a motion for waiver of credit counseling with the court.

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Case number (if known) Debtor 1 Darrell J Townsend Part 6: **Answer These Questions for Reporting Purposes** Are your debts primarily consumer debts? Consumer debts are defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an 16. What kind of debts do 16a. you have? individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose." ☐ No. Go to line 16b. Yes. Go to line 17. 16b. Are your debts primarily business debts? Business debts are debts that you incurred to obtain money for a business or investment or through the operation of the business or investment. ☐ No. Go to line 16c. ☐ Yes. Go to line 17. 16c. State the type of debts you owe that are not consumer debts or business debts 17. Are you filing under I am not filing under Chapter 7. Go to line 18. No. Chapter 7? Do you estimate that I am filing under Chapter 7. Do you estimate that after any exempt property is excluded and administrative expenses ☐ Yes. after any exempt are paid that funds will be available to distribute to unsecured creditors? property is excluded and administrative expenses ☐ No are paid that funds will ☐ Yes be available for distribution to unsecured creditors? 18. How many Creditors do 1-49 **1**,000-5,000 **1** 25,001-50,000 you estimate that you **5001-10,000 5**0,001-100,000 □ 50-99 owe? **1**0,001-25,000 ☐ More than 100,000 **1**00-199 □ 200-999 19. How much do vou □ \$1,000,001 - \$10 million □ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion **\$0 - \$50,000** estimate your assets to □ \$10,000,001 - \$50 million □ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion □ \$50,001 - \$100,000 be worth? □ \$50,000,001 - \$100 million □ \$10,000,000,001 - \$50 billion ■ \$100,001 - \$500,000 □ \$100,000,001 - \$500 million ☐ More than \$50 billion □ \$500,001 - \$1 million 20. How much do you □ \$1,000,001 - \$10 million □ \$500,000,001 - \$1 billion **\$0 - \$50,000** estimate your liabilities □ \$10,000,001 - \$50 million □ \$1,000,000,001 - \$10 billion □ \$50,001 - \$100,000 to be? □ \$50,000,001 - \$100 million □ \$10,000,000,001 - \$50 billion □ \$100,001 - \$500,000 □ \$100,000,001 - \$500 million ☐ More than \$50 billion □ \$500,001 - \$1 million Part 7: Sign Below For you I have examined this petition, and I declare under penalty of perjury that the information provided is true and correct. If I have chosen to file under Chapter 7, I am aware that I may proceed, if eligible, under Chapter 7, 11,12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code. I understand the relief available under each chapter, and I choose to proceed under Chapter 7. If no attorney represents me and I did not pay or agree to pay someone who is not an attorney to help me fill out this document, I have obtained and read the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b). I request relief in accordance with the chapter of title 11. United States Code, specified in this petition. I understand making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$250,000, or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571. /s/ Darrell J Townsend Signature of Debtor 2 **Darrell J Townsend** Signature of Debtor 1 Executed on Executed on July 22, 2016 MM / DD / YYYY MM / DD / YYYY

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For your attorney, if you are represented by one

If you are not represented by an attorney, you do not need to file this page. I, the attorney for the debtor(s) named in this petition, declare that I have informed the debtor(s) about eligibility to proceed under Chapter 7, 11, 12, or 13 of title 11, United States Code, and have explained the relief available under each chapter for which the person is eligible. I also certify that I have delivered to the debtor(s) the notice required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) and, in a case in which § 707(b)(4)(D) applies, certify that I have no knowledge after an inquiry that the information in the schedules filed with the petition is incorrect.

/s/ Frank G. Cortese	Date	July 22, 2016
Signature of Attorney for Debtor		MM / DD / YYYY
Frank G. Cortese		
Printed name		
The Cortese Law Offices, P.C.		
Firm name		
22 West Washington Street		
Suite 1500		
Chicago, IL 60602		
Number, Street, City, State & ZIP Code		
Contact phone (312) 269-9475	Email address	CorteseLaw@gmail.com
Bar number & State		

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Fill in this info	rmation to identify your	case:		
Debtor 1	Darrell J Townse	nd		
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Debtor 2				
(Spouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
United States B	ankruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT	OF ILLINOIS	
Case number				
(if known)				☐ Check if this is an amended filing

Official Form 106Sum

Summary of Your Assets and Liabilities and Certain Statistical Information

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Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. Fill out all of your schedules first; then complete the information on this form. If you are filing amended schedules after you file your original forms, you must fill out a new *Summary* and check the box at the top of this page.

		ssets f what you own
Schedule A/B: Property (Official Form 106A/B) 1a. Copy line 55, Total real estate, from Schedule A/B	\$	0.00
1b. Copy line 62, Total personal property, from Schedule A/B	\$	8,550.00
1c. Copy line 63, Total of all property on Schedule A/B	\$	8,550.00
2: Summarize Your Liabilities		
		abilities t you owe
Schedule D: Creditors Who Have Claims Secured by Property (Official Form 106D) 2a. Copy the total you listed in Column A, Amount of claim, at the bottom of the last page of Part 1 of Schedule D	\$	9,000.00
Schedule E/F: Creditors Who Have Unsecured Claims (Official Form 106E/F) 3a. Copy the total claims from Part 1 (priority unsecured claims) from line 6e of Schedule E/F	\$	0.00
3b. Copy the total claims from Part 2 (nonpriority unsecured claims) from line 6j of Schedule E/F	\$	13,243.00
Your total liabilities	\$	22,243.00
3: Summarize Your Income and Expenses		
Schedule I: Your Income (Official Form 106I) Copy your combined monthly income from line 12 of Schedule I	\$	2,230.00
Schedule J: Your Expenses (Official Form 106J) Copy your monthly expenses from line 22c of Schedule J	\$	1,840.00
4: Answer These Questions for Administrative and Statistical Records		
Are you filing for bankruptcy under Chapters 7, 11, or 13? No. You have nothing to report on this part of the form. Check this box and submit this form to the court with your	r other sch	iedules.
■ Yes What kind of debt do you have?		
	1a. Copy line 55, Total real estate, from Schedule A/B	1a. Copy line 55, Total real estate, from Schedule A/B

Official Form 106Sum

Summary of Your Assets and Liabilities and Certain Statistical Information

Your debts are not primarily consumer debts. You have nothing to report on this part of the form. Check this box and submit this form to

the court with your other schedules.

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8.	From the Statement of Your Current Monthly Income: Copy your total current monthly income from Official Form
	122A-1 Line 11; OR , Form 122B Line 11; OR , Form 122C-1 Line 14.

2,908.00 \$

9. Copy the following special categories of claims from Part 4, line 6 of Schedule E/F:

	Total cla	aim
From Part 4 on Schedule E/F, copy the following:		
9a. Domestic support obligations (Copy line 6a.)	\$	0.00
9b. Taxes and certain other debts you owe the government. (Copy line 6b.)	\$	0.00
9c. Claims for death or personal injury while you were intoxicated. (Copy line 6c.)	\$	0.00
9d. Student loans. (Copy line 6f.)	\$	9,943.00
9e. Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did not report as priority claims. (Copy line 6g.)	\$	0.00
9f. Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts. (Copy line 6h.)	+\$	0.00
9g. Total. Add lines 9a through 9f.	\$	9,943.00

Case 16-23645 Doc 1 Filed 07/22/16 Entered 07/22/16 18:12:41 Desc Main Page 10 of 49 Document Fill in this information to identify your case and this filing: Debtor 1 **Darrell J Townsend** Middle Name Last Name First Name Debtor 2 Middle Name First Name Last Name (Spouse, if filing) United States Bankruptcy Court for the: NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS Case number Check if this is an amended filing Official Form 106A/B Schedule A/B: Property 12/15 In each category, separately list and describe items. List an asset only once. If an asset fits in more than one category, list the asset in the category where you think it fits best. Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, attach a separate sheet to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known). Answer every question. Part 1: Describe Each Residence, Building, Land, or Other Real Estate You Own or Have an Interest In 1. Do you own or have any legal or equitable interest in any residence, building, land, or similar property? No. Go to Part 2. ☐ Yes. Where is the property? **Describe Your Vehicles** Part 2: Do you own, lease, or have legal or equitable interest in any vehicles, whether they are registered or not? Include any vehicles you own that someone else drives. If you lease a vehicle, also report it on Schedule G: Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases. 3. Cars, vans, trucks, tractors, sport utility vehicles, motorcycles ☐ No Yes Do not deduct secured claims or exemptions. Put Toyota Who has an interest in the property? Check one Make: 3 1 the amount of any secured claims on Schedule D: Camry Creditors Who Have Claims Secured by Property. Model: Debtor 1 only 2005 Debtor 2 only Current value of the Current value of the 104.000 Approximate mileage: entire property? Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only portion you own? Other information: ☐ At least one of the debtors and another \$6,950.00 \$6,950.00 ☐ Check if this is community property (see instructions) 4. Watercraft, aircraft, motor homes, ATVs and other recreational vehicles, other vehicles, and accessories Examples: Boats, trailers, motors, personal watercraft, fishing vessels, snowmobiles, motorcycle accessories ■ No □ Yes 5 Add the dollar value of the portion you own for all of your entries from Part 2, including any entries for \$6,950.00 pages you have attached for Part 2. Write that number here.....=>

Part 3: Describe Your Personal and Household Items

Do you own or have any legal or equitable interest in any of the following items?

Current value of the portion you own?
Do not deduct secured claims or exemptions.

6. Household goods and furnishings

Examples: Major appliances, furniture, linens, china, kitchenware

Official Form 106A/B Schedule A/B: Property

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■ Yes.	Describe				
	Miscell	aneous Ho	usehold Furniture		\$900.00
7. Electroi					
Example				oment; computers, printers, scanners; music c	ollections; electronic devices
■ No □ Yes.	Describe				
Example	bles of value les: Antiques and figurines; other collections, memo			oks, pictures, or other art objects; stamp, coin	or baseball card collections;
■ No □ Yes.	Describe				
	ent for sports and hobbie es: Sports, photographic, e musical instruments		other hobby equipment;	bicycles, pool tables, golf clubs, skis; canoes	and kayaks; carpentry tools;
	Describe				
10. Firearr Examp ■ No	ns oles: Pistols, rifles, shotguns	s, ammunition	n, and related equipmen	t	
	Describe				
□ No	s bles: Everyday clothes, furs Describe	, leather coat	s, designer wear, shoes	, accessories	
— 163.		sary Wearin	ια Annarel		\$700.00
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■ No	oles: Everyday jewelry, cost	tume jewelry,	engagement rings, wed	ding rings, heirloom jewelry, watches, gems, ç	gold, silver
	Describe rm animals				
Exam	oles: Dogs, cats, birds, hors	ses			
■ No □ Yes.	Describe				
14. Any ot ■ No	her personal and househ	old items yo	u did not already list, i	ncluding any health aids you did not list	
☐ Yes.	Give specific information				
	the dollar value of all of your art 3. Write that number h			ny entries for pages you have attached	\$1,600.00
	scribe Your Financial Assets				
Do you ov	vn or have any legal or eq	juitable inter	est in any of the follow	ring?	Current value of the portion you own? Do not deduct secured claims or exemptions.
16. Cash Exam _l ■ No	oles: Money you have in you	ur wallet, in y	our home, in a safe depo	osit box, and on hand when you file your petiti	on
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Case number (if known) Debtor 1 **Darrell J Townsend** 17. Deposits of money Examples: Checking, savings, or other financial accounts; certificates of deposit; shares in credit unions, brokerage houses, and other similar institutions. If you have multiple accounts with the same institution, list each. ■ No Institution name: ☐ Yes..... 18. Bonds, mutual funds, or publicly traded stocks Examples: Bond funds, investment accounts with brokerage firms, money market accounts ■ No Institution or issuer name: ☐ Yes..... 19. Non-publicly traded stock and interests in incorporated and unincorporated businesses, including an interest in an LLC, partnership, and joint venture ■ No ☐ Yes. Give specific information about them..... Name of entity: % of ownership: 20. Government and corporate bonds and other negotiable and non-negotiable instruments Negotiable instruments include personal checks, cashiers' checks, promissory notes, and money orders. Non-negotiable instruments are those you cannot transfer to someone by signing or delivering them. ■ No ☐ Yes. Give specific information about them Issuer name: 21. Retirement or pension accounts Examples: Interests in IRA, ERISA, Keogh, 401(k), 403(b), thrift savings accounts, or other pension or profit-sharing plans ■ No ☐ Yes. List each account separately. Type of account: Institution name: 22. Security deposits and prepayments Your share of all unused deposits you have made so that you may continue service or use from a company Examples: Agreements with landlords, prepaid rent, public utilities (electric, gas, water), telecommunications companies, or others Institution name or individual: ☐ Yes. 23. Annuities (A contract for a periodic payment of money to you, either for life or for a number of years) No Issuer name and description. ☐ Yes..... 24. Interests in an education IRA, in an account in a qualified ABLE program, or under a qualified state tuition program. 26 U.S.C. §§ 530(b)(1), 529A(b), and 529(b)(1). ■ No Institution name and description. Separately file the records of any interests.11 U.S.C. § 521(c): ☐ Yes..... 25. Trusts, equitable or future interests in property (other than anything listed in line 1), and rights or powers exercisable for your benefit ■ No ☐ Yes. Give specific information about them... 26. Patents, copyrights, trademarks, trade secrets, and other intellectual property Examples: Internet domain names, websites, proceeds from royalties and licensing agreements ■ No ☐ Yes. Give specific information about them... 27. Licenses, franchises, and other general intangibles Examples: Building permits, exclusive licenses, cooperative association holdings, liquor licenses, professional licenses ■ No ☐ Yes. Give specific information about them... Current value of the Money or property owed to you? portion you own?

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Do not deduct secured claims or exemptions.

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Describe All Property You Own or Have an Interest in That You Did Not List Above Official Form 106A/B Schedule A/B: Property

Part 7:

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53. I	Do you have other property of any kind you did not already l Examples: Season tickets, country club membership	ist?			
	No				
	Yes. Give specific information				
54.	Add the dollar value of all of your entries from Part 7. Write	that n	umber here		\$0.00
Part	8: List the Totals of Each Part of this Form				
55.	Part 1: Total real estate, line 2				\$0.00
56.	Part 2: Total vehicles, line 5		\$6,950.00		
57.	Part 3: Total personal and household items, line 15		\$1,600.00		
58.	Part 4: Total financial assets, line 36		\$0.00		
59.	Part 5: Total business-related property, line 45		\$0.00		
60.	Part 6: Total farm- and fishing-related property, line 52		\$0.00		
61.	Part 7: Total other property not listed, line 54	+	\$0.00		
62.	Total personal property. Add lines 56 through 61		\$8,550.00	Copy personal property total	\$8,550.00
63.	Total of all property on Schedule A/B. Add line 55 + line 62				\$8,550.00

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De	ebtor 1	Darrell J Townsend				
		First Name	Middle Name	L	ast Name	
	ebtor 2 pouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	L		
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	ase number known)					☐ Check if this is an amended filing
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nee cas For spe any fun exe	eded, fill out and se number (if kn r each item of p ecific dollar an y applicable stands—may be un emption to a pa	d attach to this page as many o own). property you claim as exemp nount as exempt. Alternative atutory limit. Some exemptio nlimited in dollar amount. Ho	t, you must specify the ly, you may claim the form such as those for the ly, you reach as those for the ly you claim and the ly you cla	e amo full fa r heal n exen	our source, list the property that you clarge as necessary. On the top of any account of the exemption you claim. Or ir market value of the property being the aids, rights to receive certain bernption of 100% of fair market value determined to exceed that amount, you	ne way of doing so is to state a g exempted up to the amount of nefits, and tax-exempt retirement under a law that limits the
Pa	art 1: Identif	y the Property You Claim as	•	'6		
١.	_	exemptions are you claiming		-		
	_	aiming state and federal nonba	. , .	11 U.S	S.C. § 522(b)(3)	
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۷.		erty you list on Schedule A/E	Current value of the	•	fill in the information below. ount of the exemption you claim	Specific laws that allow exemption
		that lists this property	portion you own		• •	Specific laws that allow exemption
			Copy the value from Schedule A/B	Che	eck only one box for each exemption.	
	-	a Camry 104,000 miles	\$6,950.00		\$2,400.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(c)
	Line nom Scr	ledule A/B. 3.1			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit	
		ous Household Furniture	\$900.00		\$900.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(b)
	Line from Scr.	nedule A/B: 6.1			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit	
		Wearing Apparel	\$700.00		\$700.00	735 ILCS 5/12-1001(a)
	Line from Sch	nedule A/B: 11.1			100% of fair market value, up to any applicable statutory limit	
3.		ning a homestead exemption justment on 4/01/19 and every			iled on or after the date of adjustment.)

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No

Yes

☐ Yes. Did you acquire the property covered by the exemption within 1,215 days before you filed this case?

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Fill in this inform	nation to identify your	case:			
Debtor 1	Darrell J Townse	nd			
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
Debtor 2					
(Spouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	_	
United States Bar	nkruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT	OF ILLINOIS		
Case number					Charle if this is a
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Official Form 106D

Schedule D: Creditors Who Have Claims Secured by Property

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Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, copy the Additional Page, fill it out, number the entries, and attach it to this form. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known).

- 1. Do any creditors have claims secured by your property?
 - ☐ No. Check this box and submit this form to the court with your other schedules. You have nothing else to report on this form.
 - Yes. Fill in all of the information below.

Part 1:	Lict All	Secured	Claime
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2. List all secured claims. If a creditor has more than one secured claim, list the creditor separately for each claim. If more than one creditor has a particular claim, list the other creditors in Part 2. As much as possible, list the claims in alphabetical order according to the creditor's name.

Column A

Amount of claim

Do not deduct the value of collateral.

\$9,000.00

Column B
Value of collateral that supports this claim

\$6,950.00

Unsecured portion If any \$2,050.00

Column C

Honor Finance Describe the property that secures the claim: Creditor's Name 2005 Toyota Camry 104,000 miles As of the date you file, the claim is: Check all that 909 Davis St Ste 260 apply Evanston, IL 60201 ☐ Contingent Number, Street, City, State & Zip Code ■ Unliquidated ☐ Disputed Who owes the debt? Check one. Nature of lien. Check all that apply. ■ Debtor 1 only ☐ An agreement you made (such as mortgage or secured) Debtor 2 only

☐ At least one of the debtors and another
☐ Check if this claim relates to a community debt

Opened

Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only

☐ Statutory lien (such as tax lien, mechanic's lien)
☐ Judgment lien from a lawsuit

Other (including a right to offset)

Purchase Money Security

10/15 Last Active

Active
Date debt was incurred 6/29/16

Last 4 digits of account number 4

4901

Add the dollar value of your entries in Column A on this page. Write that number here: \$9,000.00

If this is the last page of your form, add the dollar value totals from all pages.

Write that number here: \$9,000.00

Part 2: List Others to Be Notified for a Debt That You Already Listed

Use this page only if you have others to be notified about your bankruptcy for a debt that you already listed in Part 1. For example, if a collection agency is trying to collect from you for a debt you owe to someone else, list the creditor in Part 1, and then list the collection agency here. Similarly, if you have more than one creditor for any of the debts that you listed in Part 1, list the additional creditors here. If you do not have additional persons to be notified for any debts in Part 1, do not fill out or submit this page.

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Fill in t	his inform	ation to identify your	Document case:	Page 17 of 49	
Debtor	1	Darrell J Townse	nd		
		First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Debtor : (Spouse if		First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
United \$	States Ban	kruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT OF	ILLINOIS	
Case nu (if known)					Check if this is an amended filing
		106E/F /F: Creditors W	/ho Have Unsecure	d Claims	12/15
any exec Schedule Schedule left. Attac	utory contr e G: Execute e D: Credito ch the Cont d case num	acts or unexpired leases ory Contracts and Unexp rs Who Have Claims Sec	that could result in a claim. Also ired Leases (Official Form 106G) ured by Property. If more space i le. If you have no information to	RITY claims and Part 2 for creditors with NONPRIORITY o list executory contracts on Schedule A/B: Property (O . Do not include any creditors with partially secured cla is needed, copy the Part you need, fill it out, number th report in a Part, do not file that Part. On the top of any a	official Form 106A/B) and on aims that are listed in e entries in the boxes on the
		rs have priority unsecure			
	No. Go to Pa	art 2.			
	Yes.				
Part 2:	List All	of Your NONPRIORIT	Y Unsecured Claims		
_	No. You have		cured claims against you? art. Submit this form to the court wi	ith your other schedules.	
unse	ecured claim one credito	, list the creditor separately	y for each claim. For each claim list	the creditor who holds each claim. If a creditor has more ted, identify what type of claim it is. Do not list claims alread to have more than three nonpriority unsecured claims fill out	y included in Part 1. If more
					Total claim
4.1		's Financial Choice	, Inc. Last 4 digits of a	ccount number	\$600.00
	2 W. Mad 2nd Floo	Creditor's Name dison Street or k, IL 60302	When was the de	ebt incurred?	
-	Number Str	red the debt? Check one.	As of the date yo	ou file, the claim is: Check all that apply	
	Debtor	1 only	☐ Contingent		
	☐ Debtor 2	2 only	☐ Unliquidated		
	☐ Debtor	1 and Debtor 2 only	☐ Disputed		
	☐ At least	one of the debtors and and	ouici	ORITY unsecured claim:	
		f this claim is for a com			
	debt Is the clain	n subject to offset?	Obligations ari report as priority c	sing out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did r laims	not
	■ No			ion or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts	
	☐ Yes		Other. Specify	Personal Loan	

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4.2 Arnold Scott Harris, P.C. Last 4 digits of account number \$0.00 Nonpriority Creditor's Name Attorneys at Law When was the debt incurred? 111 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 600 Chicago, IL 60604 Number Street City State Zlp Code As of the date you file, the claim is: Check all that apply Who incurred the debt? Check one. ■ Debtor 1 only ☐ Contingent Debtor 2 only ■ Unliquidated Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only ☐ Disputed Type of NONPRIORITY unsecured claim: ☐ At least one of the debtors and another ☐ Student loans ☐ Check if this claim is for a community $\hfill\square$ Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did not Is the claim subject to offset? report as priority claims ☐ Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts ■ No Notice Purposes--Attorney For ■ Other. Specify City of Chicago ☐ Yes City of Chicago 4.3 Last 4 digits of account number \$2,700.00 Nonpriority Creditor's Name When was the debt incurred? **Bankruptcy Department** 121 N. LaSalle Street Chicago, IL 60602 Number Street City State Zlp Code As of the date you file, the claim is: Check all that apply Who incurred the debt? Check one. ■ Debtor 1 only ☐ Contingent Debtor 2 only ■ Unliquidated Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only ☐ Disputed Type of NONPRIORITY unsecured claim: ☐ At least one of the debtors and another ☐ Student loans ☐ Check if this claim is for a community debt ☐ Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did not Is the claim subject to offset? report as priority claims ■ No Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts ■ Other. Specify Parking Tickets Non-Dischargeable ☐ Yes 4.4 Dept Of Education/neln Last 4 digits of account number 5774 \$4,245.00 Nonpriority Creditor's Name Opened 11/12 Last Active 121 S 13th St When was the debt incurred? 3/22/14 Lincoln, NE 68508 Number Street City State Zlp Code As of the date you file, the claim is: Check all that apply Who incurred the debt? Check one. ☐ Contingent ■ Debtor 1 only ■ Unliquidated Debtor 2 only ☐ Disputed Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 only Type of NONPRIORITY unsecured claim: At least one of the debtors and another Student loans ☐ Check if this claim is for a community debt \square Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that you did not Is the claim subject to offset? report as priority claims $\hfill\square$ Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts ■ No ☐ Yes Other. Specify **Educational Non-Dischargeable**

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Total claims from Part 2

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Schedule E/F: Creditors Who Have Unsecured Claims

Obligations arising out of a separation agreement or divorce that

Debts to pension or profit-sharing plans, and other similar debts

6g.

6h.

Student loans

you did not report as priority claims

Total Claim

9,943.00

0.00

6f.

6g.

6h.

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		0.00
 Other. Add all other nonpriority unsecured claims. Write that amount here. 	6i.	\$ 3,300.00
6j. Total Nonpriority. Add lines 6f through 6i.	6j.	\$ 13,243.00

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Fill in this infor	mation to identify your	case:		
Debtor 1	Darrell J Townse	nd		
	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
Debtor 2				
(Spouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name	
United States Ba	ankruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT	OF ILLINOIS	
Case number				
(if known)				

Official Form 106G

Schedule G: Executory Contracts and Unexpired Leases

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Be as complete and accurate as possible. If two married people are filing together, both are equally responsible for supplying correct information. If more space is needed, copy the additional page, fill it out, number the entries, and attach it to this page. On the top of any additional pages, write your name and case number (if known).

- 1. Do you have any executory contracts or unexpired leases?
 - No. Check this box and file this form with the court with your other schedules. You have nothing else to report on this form.
 - Tyes. Fill in all of the information below even if the contacts of leases are listed on Schedule A/B:Property (Official Form 106 A/B).
- List separately each person or company with whom you have the contract or lease. Then state what each contract or lease is for (for example, rent, vehicle lease, cell phone). See the instructions for this form in the instruction booklet for more examples of executory contracts and unexpired leases.

	Person or	company with	n whom you have the ear, Street, City, State and ZIP C	contract or lease	State what the contract or lease is for
2.1					
	Name				_
	Name				
	Number	Street			-
	City		State	ZIP Code	_
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2.2					_
	Name				
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	City		State	ZIP Code	_
2.4	U.I.J				
2.7					_
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	Number	Street			_
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	City		State	ZIP Code	
2.5					
	Name				_
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	Number	Street			
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	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
Debtor 2 (Spouse if, filir	ng) First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
United Sta	tes Bankruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT	OF ILLINOIS		
Case numl	ber				☐ Check if this is an amended filing
Officia	I Form 106H				amended ming
	ule H: Your Cod	ebtors			12/15
1. Do y No Yes 2. With Arizon No. Yes 3. In Col	hin the last 8 years, have you a, California, Idaho, Louisiana, Go to line 3. b. Did your spouse, former spoumn 1, list all of your codebt	you are filing a joint case, or legal equivalent live	coperty state or territor erto Rico, Texas, Washing with you at the time?	y? (Community propertington, and Wisconsin.)	
	106D), Schedule E/F (Official olumn 2.	Form 106E/F), or Sched	ule G (Official Form 10	6G). Use Schedule D,	Schedule E/F, or Schedule G to fill
	Column 1: Your codebtor Name, Number, Street, City, State and ZI	P Code		Column 2: The cre Check all schedule	editor to whom you owe the debt es that apply:
				_	,
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				☐ Schedule G, lin	
-	Number Street			_	
	City	State	ZIP Code		
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S	chedule I: Your In-	come							12/15
sup _l spo atta	as complete and accurate as popularing correct information. If you are separated and you a separate sheet to this form T1: Describe Employment	ou are married and not filing wing the spouse is not filing wing the top of any addition.	ng jointly, and your ith you, do not include	spouse i ude inforr	s living mation a	with you, included the second with your specific with the second with the seco	ude inforr ouse. If m	nation about ore space is	your needed,
1.	Fill in your employment information.		Debtor 1			Debtor 2	2 or non-fi	iling spouse	
	If you have more than one job, attach a separate page with information about additional	Employment status	■ Employed □ Not employed			☐ Empl	oyed mployed		
	employers.	Occupation	Maintenance						
	Include part-time, seasonal, or self-employed work.	Employer's name	East Lake Man	agement	t Group) ,			
	Occupation may include studen or homemaker, if it applies.	t Employer's address	5043 S. King D Chicago, IL 600						
		How long employed t	here? <u>3 Year</u>	s					
Par	t 2: Give Details About M	onthly Income							
	mate monthly income as of the use unless you are separated.	date you file this form. If	you have nothing to	report for	any line,	write \$0 in the	space. In	clude your noi	n-filing
	u or your non-filing spouse have e space, attach a separate sheet		ombine the information	on for all e	employer	s for that perso	on on the li	nes below. If	you need
					Fo	r Debtor 1		btor 2 or ing spouse	
2.	List monthly gross wages, sa deductions). If not paid monthly			2.	\$	2,945.00	\$	N/A	
3.	Estimate and list monthly over	ertime pay.		3.	+\$	0.00	+\$	N/A	
4.	Calculate gross Income. Add	line 2 + line 3.		4.	\$	2,945.00	\$	N/A	

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Deb	tor 1	Darrell J Townsend	-		Case	number (if k	nown)				
					For	Debtor 1			Debtor filing s	2 or pouse	
	Cop	by line 4 here	4.		\$	2,94	5.00	\$		N/A	-
5.	List	all payroll deductions:									
	5a.	Tax, Medicare, and Social Security deductions	5	a.	\$	62	5.00	\$		N/A	
	5b.	Mandatory contributions for retirement plans	51	b.	\$		0.00	\$		N/A	-
	5c.	Voluntary contributions for retirement plans	50		\$_		0.00	\$		N/A	_
	5d.	Required repayments of retirement fund loans		d.	\$_		0.00	\$		N/A	-
	5e. 5f.	Insurance Domestic support obligations	5f	e. f	\$_ \$		0.00	\$		N/A N/A	-
	5g.	Union dues	5 ₀		φ_ \$		0.00	\$ 		N/A	_
	5h.	Other deductions. Specify:		9. h.+	\$-			+ \$		N/A	_
6.	Add	the payroll deductions. Add lines 5a+5b+5c+5d+5e+5f+5g+5h.	_ 6.		\$		5.00	\$		N/A	-
7.		culate total monthly take-home pay. Subtract line 6 from line 4.	7.		\$	2,230		\$		N/A	-
8.	List 8a.	all other income regularly received: Net income from rental property and from operating a business, profession, or farm Attach a statement for each property and business showing gross receipts, ordinary and necessary business expenses, and the total									-
		monthly net income.	88		\$_		0.00	\$		N/A	_
	8b.	Interest and dividends		b.	\$_		0.00	\$		N/A	_
	8c.	Family support payments that you, a non-filing spouse, or a dependent regularly receive Include alimony, spousal support, child support, maintenance, divorce settlement, and property settlement.	80	C.	\$		0.00	\$		N/A	
	8d.		80	d.	\$_		0.00	\$		N/A	_
	8e.	Social Security	86	e.	\$		0.00	\$		N/A	_
	8f.	Other government assistance that you regularly receive Include cash assistance and the value (if known) of any non-cash assistance that you receive, such as food stamps (benefits under the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program) or housing subsidies. Specify:	8f		\$_		0.00	\$		N/A	_
	8g.	Pension or retirement income Other monthly income. Specify:	80	g. h.+	\$_ \$		0.00			N/A	-
	8h.	Other monthly income. Specify:	_ 01	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Φ_		0.00	+ J		N/A	-
9.	Add	d all other income. Add lines 8a+8b+8c+8d+8e+8f+8g+8h.	9.		\$		0.00	\$		N/A	A
10.	Cal	culate monthly income. Add line 7 + line 9.	10.	\$		2,230.00	+ \$		N/A	= \$	2,230.00
	Add	the entries in line 10 for Debtor 1 and Debtor 2 or non-filing spouse.								Ľ	_,
11.	Incl othe Do	te all other regular contributions to the expenses that you list in Schedule ude contributions from an unmarried partner, members of your household, your er friends or relatives. not include any amounts already included in lines 2-10 or amounts that are not excify:	dep						chedule 11.		0.00
12.		If the amount in the last column of line 10 to the amount in line 11. The restet that amount on the Summary of Schedules and Statistical Summary of Certain lies							12.	\$	2,230.00
13.	Do	you expect an increase or decrease within the year after you file this form	?						l	Combine month!	ned y income
		No.									

Official Form 106I Schedule I: Your Income page 2

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Fill i	n this informa	tion to identify yo	our case:					
Debt		Darrell J Tov	wnsend					ving postpetition chapter
(Spo	use, if filing)						13 expenses as of	the following date:
Unite	ed States Bankr	uptcy Court for the	: NORTH	HERN DISTRICT OF ILLIN	OIS		MM / DD / YYYY	
1	e number nown)							
		rm 106J						
		J: Your						12/15
info	rmation. If m		eded, atta	. If two married people ar ich another sheet to this n.				
Part	1: Descri	ibe Your House	ehold					
1.	■ No. Go to	line 2.	in a separ	ate household?				
	□и	0	•	al Form 106J-2, <i>Expenses</i>	s for Separate House	ehold of Deb	tor 2.	
2.	Do you have	e dependents?	■ No					
	Do not list D Debtor 2.	ebtor 1 and	☐ Yes.	Fill out this information for each dependent	Dependent's relation		Dependent's age	Does dependent live with you?
	Do not state dependents							□ No □ Yes
	dopondonto	namoo.						□ No
							_	☐ Yes ☐ No
								☐ Yes
								□ No
3.	Do your exp	enses include	_	No				☐ Yes
		f people other t d your depende	han $_{\square}$	Yes				
Esti exp	mate your ex		our bankr	ly Expenses uptcy filing date unless y y is filed. If this is a supp				
the		h assistance an		government assistance i cluded it on <i>Schedule I:</i> \			Your exp	enses
4.		or home owners		ses for your residence. I	nclude first mortgag	e 4. \$	S	810.00
	If not includ	led in line 4:						
	4a. Real e	estate taxes				4a. \$	5	0.00
	•	rty, homeowner's				4b. \$	S	0.00
		maintenance, re owner's associa		upkeep expenses dominium dues		4c. \$ 4d. \$		0.00
5				our residence, such as ho	me equity loans	5. 9		0.00

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Debtor	1 Darrell J Townsend	Case num	ber (if known)	
6. U ʻ	tilities:			
68		6a.	\$	90.00
6k	o. Water, sewer, garbage collection	6b.	\$	0.00
60	c. Telephone, cell phone, Internet, satellite, and cable services	6c.	\$	55.00
60	d. Other. Specify:	6d.	\$	0.00
7. F c	pod and housekeeping supplies		\$	425.00
	hildcare and children's education costs	8.	\$	0.00
	lothing, laundry, and dry cleaning	9.		70.00
	ersonal care products and services	10.	·	50.00
	edical and dental expenses	11.	·	40.00
	ransportation. Include gas, maintenance, bus or train fare.		<u> </u>	40.00
	o not include car payments.	12.	\$	200.00
	ntertainment, clubs, recreation, newspapers, magazines, and books	13.	\$	0.00
	haritable contributions and religious donations	14.	\$	0.00
	surance.		•	
D	o not include insurance deducted from your pay or included in lines 4 or 20.			
15	5a. Life insurance	15a.	\$	0.00
15	5b. Health insurance	15b.	\$	0.00
15	5c. Vehicle insurance	15c.	\$	100.00
15	5d. Other insurance. Specify:	15d.	\$	0.00
	axes. Do not include taxes deducted from your pay or included in lines 4 or 20.			
	pecify:	16.	\$	0.00
17. In	stallment or lease payments:			
17	7a. Car payments for Vehicle 1	17a.	\$	0.00
17	7b. Car payments for Vehicle 2	17b.	\$	0.00
17	c. Other. Specify:	17c.	\$	0.00
17	7d. Other. Specify:	17d.	\$	0.00
18. Y	our payments of alimony, maintenance, and support that you did not report as	;		
	educted from your pay on line 5, Schedule I, Your Income (Official Form 106I).	18.	\$	0.00
19. O	ther payments you make to support others who do not live with you.		\$	0.00
S	pecify:	19.		
	ther real property expenses not included in lines 4 or 5 of this form or on Sche			
20	Da. Mortgages on other property	20a.	\$	0.00
20	b. Real estate taxes	20b.	\$	0.00
	Oc. Property, homeowner's, or renter's insurance	20c.	\$	0.00
20	d. Maintenance, repair, and upkeep expenses	20d.	\$	0.00
20	De. Homeowner's association or condominium dues	20e.	\$	0.00
21. O	ther: Specify:	21.	+\$	0.00
	alculate your monthly expenses			
	2a. Add lines 4 through 21.		\$	1,840.00
22	2b. Copy line 22 (monthly expenses for Debtor 2), if any, from Official Form 106J-2		\$	
22	2c. Add line 22a and 22b. The result is your monthly expenses.		\$	1,840.00
)3 C	alculate your monthly net income.			
	Ba. Copy line 12 (your combined monthly income) from Schedule I.	23a.	¢	2 220 00
				2,230.00
20	Bb. Copy your monthly expenses from line 22c above.	23b.	- \$	1,840.00
22	Bc. Subtract your monthly expenses from your monthly income.			
2.	The result is your <i>monthly net income</i> .	23c.	\$	390.00
	The result is your monthly her income.			
24. D	o you expect an increase or decrease in your expenses within the year after yo	ou file this	s form?	
	or example, do you expect to finish paying for your car loan within the year or do you expect you			e or decrease because of a
	odification to the terms of your mortgage?	'		
	No.			
	Yes. Explain here:			

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Fill in this info	rmation to identify your	00001			
	rmation to identify your				
Debtor 1	Darrell J Townse	Middle Name	Last Name		
Debtor 2					
(Spouse if, filing)	First Name	Middle Name	Last Name		
United States E	Bankruptcy Court for the:	NORTHERN DISTRICT	T OF ILLINOIS		
Case number					
(if known)				-	Check if this is an mended filing
If two married You must file the	people are filing togethe	r, both are equally responding the sankruptcy scheduler nonnection with a ban			
Si	gn Below				
Did you p	ay or agree to pay some	one who is NOT an atto	rney to help you fill out b	pankruptcy forms?	
■ No					
☐ Yes.	Name of person			Attach Bankruptcy Petit. Declaration, and Signat	
	nalty of perjury, I declare are true and correct.	that I have read the sum	nmary and schedules file	d with this declaration and	
X /s/ Da	rrell J Townsend		X		
Darre	ell J Townsend eure of Debtor 1		Signature of	Debtor 2	
Date	July 22, 2016		Date		

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Fill	in this inform	nation to identify you	r case:								
	otor 1	Darrell J Towns									
	7.01	First Name		iddle Name		Last Name					
	otor 2 ouse if, filing)	First Name	Mi	iddle Name		Last Name					
Uni	ted States Bar	nkruptcy Court for the:	NORTI	HERN DISTRIC	T OF IL	LINOIS					
Cas	se number										
(if kn	iown)							_	heck if this is an		
								ar	mended filing		
Of	ficial Fo	rm 107									
			Affairs	s for Indiv	/idua	ls Filing for B	Bankruptcv		4/10		
info num	rmation. If m ber (if knowr		attach a s stion.	separate sheet	to this f	ling together, both are form. On the top of an ed Before					
1.	What is your	current marital state	ıs?								
	□ Manniad										
	■ Married■ Not mar	riad									
	- Not man	ried									
2.	During the la	During the last 3 years, have you lived anywhere other than where you live now?									
	□ No										
	Yes. Lis	t all of the places you	ived in the	last 3 years. Do	not inc	lude where you live nov	v.				
	Debtor 1 Pri	ior Address:		Dates Debtor lived there	r 1	Debtor 2 Prior Ad	ddress:		Dates Debtor 2 lived there		
	3555 South Apt. 509 Chicago, I	h Cottage Grove A L 60653	ve.	From-To:		☐ Same as Debtor	1		☐ Same as Debtor 1 From-To:		
3. state	es and territorion ■ No □ Yes. Ma		llifornia, Ida hedule H: \	aho, Louisiana, I	Nevada	quivalent in a commur , New Mexico, Puerto R Form 106H).					
4.	Fill in the tota If you are filin No	al amount of income yo	u received	l from all jobs an	nd all bu	ousiness during this yesinesses, including parteter, list it only once u	-time activities.	ous calen	dar years?		
			Debtor 1				Dobtor 2				
			Sources	of income I that apply.	(b	ross income efore deductions and cclusions)	Sources of incon Check all that app		Gross income (before deductions and exclusions)		
						,			,		

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					Debtor 1			Debtor 2		
					Sources of income Check all that apply.		s income e deductions and sions)	Sources of inc Check all that a		Gross income (before deductions and exclusions)
				nt year until kruptcy:	■ Wages, commissions, bonuses, tips		\$18,954.00	☐ Wages, combonuses, tips	missions,	
					☐ Operating a business			☐ Operating a	business	
	last cal nuary 1			31, 2015)	■ Wages, commissions, bonuses, tips		\$25,968.00	☐ Wages, combonuses, tips	missions,	
					☐ Operating a business			☐ Operating a	business	
				fore that: 31, 2014)	■ Wages, commissions, bonuses, tips		\$22,168.00	☐ Wages, combonuses, tips	missions,	
					☐ Operating a business			☐ Operating a	business	
	winning List eac	is. If you	ou are fili	ng a joint cas	pensions; rental income; inter e and you have income that yource separa	you recei	ved together, list it o	only once under De	ebtor 1.	_ gg and lowery
					Dalutar 4			Dalitan 0		
					Debtor 1 Sources of income Describe below.	each	s income from source e deductions and sions)	Debtor 2 Sources of inc Describe below		Gross income (before deductions and exclusions)
Par	rt 3: L	.ist Ce	ertain Pa	yments You	Made Before You Filed for		,			
6.	Are eitl □ No	D. No. in	either De dividual p	ebtor 1 nor D orimarily for a 90 days befo Go to line 7	's debts primarily consume tebtor 2 has primarily consupersonal, family, or househoure you filed for bankruptcy, dieach creditor to whom you paid	umer dek old purpos lid you pa	e." y any creditor a tota	ıl of \$6,425* or mo	re?	
				paid that cre not include	editor. Do not include paymer payments to an attorney for the on 4/01/19 and every 3 year	nts for do this bankr	mestic support oblig uptcy case.	gations, such as ch	nild support a	nd alimony. Also, do
	■ Ye				r both have primarily consure you filed for bankruptcy, di			al of \$600 or more?)	
			No.	Go to line 7						
		[∃ _{Yes}	List below e include pay	each creditor to whom you pai ments for domestic support o this bankruptcy case.					
	Credit	or's N	lame and	d Address	Dates of payme	ent	Total amount	Amount you still owe	Was this p	payment for

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13. Within 2 years before you filed for bankruptcy, did you give any gifts with a total value of more than \$600 per person?

Describe the gifts

No

☐ Yes. Fill in the details for each gift.

Gifts with a total value of more than \$600

per person

Person to Whom You Gave the Gift and
Address:

Dates you gave the gifts

Value

...

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Address

Description and value of

property transferred

Describe any property or

paid in exchange

payments received or debts

Person Who Received Transfer

Person's relationship to you

Date transfer was

made

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19.	Within 10 years before you filed for bankru beneficiary? (These are often called asset-p. ■ No □ Yes. Fill in the details.		ny property to a s	elf-settled trust or similar devi	ce of which you are a
	Name of trust	Description and v	alue of the prope	erty transferred	Date Transfer was made
Par	8: List of Certain Financial Accounts, In	nstruments, Safe Deposi	t Boxes, and Stor	rage Units	
20.	Within 1 year before you filed for bankrupt sold, moved, or transferred? Include checking, savings, money market, houses, pension funds, cooperatives, asso No Yes. Fill in the details.	or other financial accou	nts; certificates o	of deposit; shares in banks, cr	•
	Name of Financial Institution and Address (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Last 4 digits of account number	Type of accoun instrument	nt or Date account was closed, sold, moved, or transferred	Last balance before closing or transfer
21.	Do you now have, or did you have within 1 cash, or other valuables? No Yes. Fill in the details.			r safe deposit box or other dep	
	Name of Financial Institution Address (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)		Address (Number, Street, City,		Do you still have it?
22.	Have you stored property in a storage unit No Yes. Fill in the details.	or place other than your	home within 1 y	ear before you filed for bankru	ıptcy?
	Name of Storage Facility Address (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Who else has or I to it? Address (Number, S State and ZIP Code)		Describe the contents	Do you still have it?
Par	9: Identify Property You Hold or Control	ol for Someone Else			
23.	Do you hold or control any property that so for someone. No Yes. Fill in the details.	omeone else owns? Incl	ude any property	you borrowed from, are storing	ng for, or hold in trust
	Owner's Name Address (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Where is the prop (Number, Street, City, S Code)		Describe the property	Value
Par	10: Give Details About Environmental In	formation			
For	he purpose of Part 10, the following definit	tions apply:			

- Environmental law means any federal, state, or local statute or regulation concerning pollution, contamination, releases of hazardous or toxic substances, wastes, or material into the air, land, soil, surface water, groundwater, or other medium, including statutes or regulations controlling the cleanup of these substances, wastes, or material.
- Site means any location, facility, or property as defined under any environmental law, whether you now own, operate, or utilize it or used to own, operate, or utilize it, including disposal sites.
- Hazardous material means anything an environmental law defines as a hazardous waste, hazardous substance, toxic substance, hazardous material, pollutant, contaminant, or similar term.

Report all notices, releases, and proceedings that you know about, regardless of when they occurred.

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24.	_	ny governmental unit notified you tha	t you may be liable or potentially liab	le un	der or in violation of an environme	ental law?		
	■ No □ Yes. Fill in the details.							
		e of site 'ess (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Governmental unit Address (Number, Street, City, State a ZIP Code)	and	Environmental law, if you know it	Date of notice		
25.	Have	you notified any governmental unit of	any release of hazardous material?					
		No Yes. Fill in the details.						
		e of site 'ess (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Governmental unit Address (Number, Street, City, State a ZIP Code)	and	Environmental law, if you know it	Date of notice		
26.	Have	you been a party in any judicial or adı	ministrative proceeding under any en	viron	nmental law? Include settlements a	nd orders.		
		No Ƴes. Fill in the details.						
		e Title e Number	Court or agency Name Address (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Nature of the case		Status of the case		
Par	t 11:	Give Details About Your Business or	Connections to Any Business					
27.	Withi	n 4 years before you filed for bankrup	tcy, did you own a business or have a	any o	of the following connections to any	business?		
	1	A sole proprietor or self-employed	in a trade, profession, or other activit	y, eit	her full-time or part-time			
	1	☐ A member of a limited liability comp	pany (LLC) or limited liability partners	ship ((LLP)			
	I	☐ A partner in a partnership						
	1	An officer, director, or managing ex	ecutive of a corporation					
	☐ An owner of at least 5% of the voting or equity securities of a corporation							
■ No. None of the above applies. Go to Part 12.								
		es. Check all that apply above and fil	I in the details below for each busine	SS.				
	Busi	ness Name	Describe the nature of the business	S	Employer Identification number Do not include Social Security number or ITIN			
		per, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)	Name of accountant or bookkeeper	r	·			
28.		n 2 years before you filed for bankrup utions, creditors, or other parties.	tcy, did you give a financial statemen	it to a	Dates business existed anyone about your business? Inclu	de all financial		
		No						
		es. Fill in the details below.						
	Name Address (Number, Street, City, State and ZIP Code)							

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Debtor 1 Darrell J Townsend Case number (if known) Part 12: Sign Below I have read the answers on this Statement of Financial Affairs and any attachments, and I declare under penalty of perjury that the answers are true and correct. I understand that making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$250,000, or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571. /s/ Darrell J Townsend **Darrell J Townsend** Signature of Debtor 2 Signature of Debtor 1 Date Date July 22, 2016 Did you attach additional pages to Your Statement of Financial Affairs for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy (Official Form 107)? ■ No ☐ Yes

Did you pay or agree to pay someone who is not an attorney to help you fill out bankruptcy forms?

☐ Yes. Name of Person . Attach the Bankruptcy Petition Preparer's Notice, Declaration, and Signature (Official Form 119).

■ No

Notice Required by 11 U.S.C. § 342(b) for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy (Form 2010)

This notice is for you if:

You are an individual filing for bankruptcy, and

Your debts are primarily consumer debts. Consumer debts are defined in 11 U.S.C. § 101(8) as "incurred by an individual primarily for a personal, family, or household purpose."

The types of bankruptcy that are available to individuals

Individuals who meet the qualifications may file under one of four different chapters of Bankruptcy Code:

Chapter 7 - Liquidation

Chapter 11 - Reorganization

Chapter 12 - Voluntary repayment plan for family farmers or fishermen

Chapter 13 - Voluntary repayment plan for individuals with regular income

You should have an attorney review your decision to file for bankruptcy and the choice of chapter.

Chapter 7:	Liquidation
\$245	filing fee
\$75	administrative fee
+ \$15	trustee surcharge
\$335	total fee

Chapter 7 is for individuals who have financial difficulty preventing them from paying their debts and who are willing to allow their nonexempt property to be used to pay their creditors. The primary purpose of filing under chapter 7 is to have your debts discharged. The bankruptcy discharge relieves you after bankruptcy from having to pay many of your pre-bankruptcy debts. Exceptions exist for particular debts, and liens on property may still be enforced after discharge. For example, a creditor may have the right to foreclose a home mortgage or repossess an automobile.

However, if the court finds that you have committed certain kinds of improper conduct described in the Bankruptcy Code, the court may deny your discharge.

You should know that even if you file chapter 7 and you receive a discharge, some debts are not discharged under the law. Therefore, you may still be responsible to pay:

most taxes;

most student loans;

domestic support and property settlement obligations;

most fines, penalties, forfeitures, and criminal restitution obligations; and

certain debts that are not listed in your bankruptcy papers.

You may also be required to pay debts arising from:

fraud or theft;

fraud or defalcation while acting in breach of fiduciary capacity;

intentional injuries that you inflicted; and

death or personal injury caused by operating a motor vehicle, vessel, or aircraft while intoxicated from alcohol or drugs.

If your debts are primarily consumer debts, the court can dismiss your chapter 7 case if it finds that you have enough income to repay creditors a certain amount. You must file *Chapter 7 Statement of Your Current Monthly Income* (Official Form 122A–1) if you are an individual filing for bankruptcy under chapter 7. This form will determine your current monthly income and compare whether your income is more than the median income that applies in your state.

If your income is not above the median for your state, you will not have to complete the other chapter 7 form, the *Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation* (Official Form 122A–2).

If your income is above the median for your state, you must file a second form —the *Chapter 7 Means Test Calculation* (Official Form 122A–2). The calculations on the form— sometimes called the *Means Test*—deduct from your income living expenses and payments on certain debts to determine any amount available to pay unsecured creditors. If

your income is more than the median income for your state of residence and family size, depending on the results of the *Means Test*, the U.S. trustee, bankruptcy administrator, or creditors can file a motion to dismiss your case under § 707(b) of the Bankruptcy Code. If a motion is filed, the court will decide if your case should be dismissed. To avoid dismissal, you may choose to proceed under another chapter of the Bankruptcy Code.

If you are an individual filing for chapter 7 bankruptcy, the trustee may sell your property to pay your debts, subject to your right to exempt the property or a portion of the proceeds from the sale of the property. The property, and the proceeds from property that your bankruptcy trustee sells or liquidates that you are entitled to, is called *exempt property*. Exemptions may enable you to keep your home, a car, clothing, and household items or to receive some of the proceeds if the property is sold.

Exemptions are not automatic. To exempt property, you must list it on *Schedule C: The Property You Claim as Exempt* (Official Form 106C). If you do not list the property, the trustee may sell it and pay all of the proceeds to your creditors.

Chapter 11: Reorganization

\$1,167 filing fee

+ \$550 administrative fee \$1,717 total fee

Chapter 11 is often used for reorganizing a business, but is also available to individuals. The provisions of chapter 11 are too complicated to summarize briefly.

Read These Important Warnings

Because bankruptcy can have serious long-term financial and legal consequences, including loss of your property, you should hire an attorney and carefully consider all of your options before you file. Only an attorney can give you legal advice about what can happen as a result of filing for bankruptcy and what your options are. If you do file for bankruptcy, an attorney can help you fill out the forms properly and protect you, your family, your home, and your possessions.

Although the law allows you to represent yourself in bankruptcy court, you should understand that many people find it difficult to represent themselves successfully. The rules are technical, and a mistake or inaction may harm you. If you file without an attorney, you are still responsible for knowing and following all of the legal requirements.

You should not file for bankruptcy if you are not eligible to file or if you do not intend to file the necessary documents.

Bankruptcy fraud is a serious crime; you could be fined and imprisoned if you commit fraud in your bankruptcy case. Making a false statement, concealing property, or obtaining money or property by fraud in connection with a bankruptcy case can result in fines up to \$250,000, or imprisonment for up to 20 years, or both. 18 U.S.C. §§ 152, 1341, 1519, and 3571.

Chapter 12: Repayment plan for family farmers or fishermen

	\$200	filing fee
+	\$75	administrative fee
	\$275	total fee

Similar to chapter 13, chapter 12 permits family farmers and fishermen to repay their debts over a period of time using future earnings and to discharge some debts that are not paid.

Chapter 13: Repayment plan for individuals with regular income

	\$235	filing fee
+	\$75	administrative fee
	\$310	total fee

Chapter 13 is for individuals who have regular income and would like to pay all or part of their debts in installments over a period of time and to discharge some debts that are not paid. You are eligible for chapter 13 only if your debts are not more than certain dollar amounts set forth in 11 U.S.C. § 109.

Under chapter 13, you must file with the court a plan to repay your creditors all or part of the money that you owe them, usually using your future earnings. If the court approves your plan, the court will allow you to repay your debts, as adjusted by the plan, within 3 years or 5 years, depending on your income and other factors.

After you make all the payments under your plan, many of your debts are discharged. The debts that are not discharged and that you may still be responsible to pay include:

domestic support obligations,

most student loans,

certain taxes,

debts for fraud or theft,

debts for fraud or defalcation while acting in a fiduciary capacity,

most criminal fines and restitution obligations,

certain debts that are not listed in your bankruptcy papers,

certain debts for acts that caused death or personal injury, and

certain long-term secured debts.

Warning: File Your Forms on Time

Section 521(a)(1) of the Bankruptcy Code requires that you promptly file detailed information about your creditors, assets, liabilities, income, expenses and general financial condition. The court may dismiss your bankruptcy case if you do not file this information within the deadlines set by the Bankruptcy Code, the Bankruptcy Rules, and the local rules of the court.

For more information about the documents and their deadlines, go to: http://www.uscourts.gov/bkforms/bankruptcy_forms.html#procedure.

Bankruptcy crimes have serious consequences

If you knowingly and fraudulently conceal assets or make a false oath or statement under penalty of perjury—either orally or in writing—in connection with a bankruptcy case, you may be fined, imprisoned, or both.

All information you supply in connection with a bankruptcy case is subject to examination by the Attorney General acting through the Office of the U.S. Trustee, the Office of the U.S. Attorney, and other offices and employees of the U.S. Department of Justice.

Make sure the court has your mailing address

The bankruptcy court sends notices to the mailing address you list on *Voluntary Petition for Individuals Filing for Bankruptcy* (Official Form 101). To ensure that you receive information about your case, Bankruptcy Rule 4002 requires that you notify the court of any changes in your address.

A married couple may file a bankruptcy case together—called a *joint case*. If you file a joint case and each spouse lists the same mailing address on the bankruptcy petition, the bankruptcy court generally will mail you and your spouse one copy of each notice, unless you file a statement with the court asking that each spouse receive separate copies.

Understand which services you could receive from credit counseling agencies

The law generally requires that you receive a credit counseling briefing from an approved credit counseling agency. 11 U.S.C. § 109(h). If you are filing a joint case, both spouses must receive the briefing. With limited exceptions, you must receive it within the 180 days *before* you file your bankruptcy petition. This briefing is usually conducted by telephone or on the Internet.

In addition, after filing a bankruptcy case, you generally must complete a financial management instructional course before you can receive a discharge. If you are filing a joint case, both spouses must complete the course.

You can obtain the list of agencies approved to provide both the briefing and the instructional course from: http://justice.gov/ust/eo/hapcpa/ccde/cc_approved.html

In Alabama and North Carolina, go to: http://www.uscourts.gov/FederalCourts/Bankruptcy/ BankruptcyResources/ApprovedCredit AndDebtCounselors.aspx.

If you do not have access to a computer, the clerk of the bankruptcy court may be able to help you obtain the list.

UNITED STATES BANKRUPTCY COURT NORTHERN DISTRICT OF ILLINOIS

RIGHTS AND RESPONSIBILITIES AGREEMENT BETWEEN CHAPTER 13 DEBTORS AND THEIR ATTORNEYS

(Court-Approved Retention Agreement, Revised as of 4/20/2015)

Chapter 13 gives debtors important rights, such as the right to keep property that could otherwise be lost through repossession or foreclosure, but Chapter 13 also puts burdens on debtors, such as the burden of making complete and truthful disclosures of their financial situation. It is important for debtors who file a Chapter 13 bankruptcy case to understand their rights and responsibilities in bankruptcy. In this connection, the advice of an attorney is often crucial. Debtors are entitled to certain services from their attorneys, but debtors also have responsibilities to their attorneys. In order to assure that debtors and their attorneys understand their rights and responsibilities in the Chapter 13 process, the judges of the Bankruptcy Court for the Northern District of Illinois have approved this agreement, setting out the rights and responsibilities of both debtors in Chapter 13 and their attorneys, including how their attorneys will be paid for their services in the Chapter 13 case. By signing this agreement, debtors and their attorneys accept these responsibilities.

The Bankruptcy Code may require a debtor's attorney to provide the debtor with certain documents and agreements at the start of the representation. The terms of this court-approved agreement take the place of any conflicting provision in an earlier agreement. This agreement cannot be modified in any way by other agreements. Any provision of another agreement between the debtors and the attorney that conflicts with this agreement is void.

A. BEFORE THE CASE IS FILED

THE DEBTOR AGREES TO:

- 1. Discuss with the attorney the debtor's objectives in filing the case.
- 2. Provide the attorney with full, accurate and timely information, financial and otherwise, including properly documented proof of income.

THE ATTORNEY AGREES TO:

- 1. Personally counsel the debtor regarding the advisability of filing either a Chapter 13 or a Chapter 7 case, discuss both procedures (as well as non-bankruptcy options) with the debtor, and answer the debtor's questions.
- 2. Personally explain to the debtor that the attorney is being engaged to represent the debtor on all matters arising in the case, as required by Local Bankruptcy Rule, and explain how and when the attorney's fees and the trustee's fees are determined and paid.
- 3. Personally review with the debtor and sign the completed petition, plan, statements, and schedules, as well as all amendments thereto, whether filed with the petition or later. (The schedules may be initially prepared with the help of clerical or paralegal staff of the attorney's office, but personal attention of the attorney is required for the review and signing.)
- 4. Timely prepare and file the debtor's petition, plan, statements, and schedules.

- 5. Explain to the debtor how, when, and where to make all necessary payments, including both payments that must be made directly to creditors and payments that must be made to the Chapter 13 trustee, with particular attention to housing and vehicle payments.
- 6. Advise the debtor of the need to maintain appropriate insurance.

B. AFTER THE CASE IS FILED

THE DEBTOR AGREES TO:

- 1. Make the required payments to the trustee and to whatever creditors are being paid directly, or, if required payments cannot be made, to notify the attorney immediately.
- 2. Appear punctually at the meeting of creditors (also called the "341 meeting") with recent proof of income and a picture identification card. (If the identification card does not include the debtor's social security number, the debtor must also bring to the meeting a social security card.) The debtor must be present in time for check-in and when the case is called for the actual examination.
- 3. Notify the attorney of any change in the debtor's address or telephone number.
- 4. Inform the attorney of any wage garnishments or liens or levies on assets that occur or continue after the filing of the case.
- 5. Contact the attorney immediately if the debtor loses employment, has a significant change in income, or experiences any other significant change in financial situation (such as serious illness, marriage, divorce or separation, lottery winnings, or an inheritance).
- 6. Notify the attorney if the debtor is sued or wishes to file a lawsuit (including divorce.)
- 7. Inform the attorney if any tax refunds to which the debtor is entitled are seized or not received when due from the IRS or Illinois Department of Revenue.
- 8. Contact the attorney before buying, refinancing, or selling real property, and before entering into any loan agreement.
- 9. Supply the attorney with copies of all tax returns filed while the case is pending.

THE ATTORNEY AGREES TO:

- 1. Advise the debtor of the requirement to attend the meeting of creditors, and notify the debtor of the date, time, and place of the meeting.
- 2. Inform the debtor that the debtor must be punctual and, in the case of a joint filing, that both spouses must appear at the same meeting.
- 3. Provide knowledgeable legal representation for the debtor at the meeting of creditors (in time for check-in and the actual examination) and, unless excused by the trustee, for the confirmation hearing.
- 4. If the attorney will be employing another attorney to attend the 341 meeting or any court hearing, personally explain to the debtor in advance, the role and identity of the other

attorney and provide the other attorney with the file in sufficient time to review it and properly represent the debtor.

- 5. Timely submit to the Chapter 13 trustee properly documented proof of income for the debtor, including business reports for self-employed debtors.
- 6. Timely respond to objections to plan confirmation and, where necessary, prepare, file, and serve an amended plan.
- 7. Timely prepare, file, and serve any necessary statements, amended statements, and schedules and any change of address, in accordance with information provided by the debtor.
- 8. Monitor all incoming case information (including, but not limited to, Order Confirming Plan, Notice of Intent to Pay Claims, and 6-month status reports) for accuracy and completeness. Contact the trustee promptly regarding any discrepancies.
- 9. Be available to respond to the debtor's questions throughout the term of the plan.
- 10. Prepare, file, and serve timely modifications to the plan after confirmation, when necessary, including modifications to suspend, lower, or increase plan payments.
- 11. Prepare, file, and serve necessary motions to buy or sell property and to incur debt.
- 12. Object to improper or invalid claims.
- 13. Timely respond to the Chapter 13 trustee's motions to dismiss the case, such as for payment default, or unfeasibility, and to motions to increase the percentage payment to unsecured creditors.
- 14. Timely respond to motions for relief from stay.
- 15. Prepare, file, and serve all appropriate motions to avoid liens.
- 16. Provide any other legal services necessary for the administration of the case.

C. TERMINATION OR CONVERSION OF THE CASE AFTER ENTRY OF AN ORDER APPROVING FEES AND EXPENSES

- 1. Approved fees and expenses paid under the provisions set out below are generally not refundable in the event that the case is dismissed prior to its completion, unless the dismissal is due to a failure by the attorney to comply with the duties set out in this agreement. If such a dismissal is due to a failure by the attorney, the court may order a refund of fees on motion by the debtor.
- 2. If the case is dismissed after approval of the fees and expenses but before payment of all allowed fees and expenses, the order entered by the Bankruptcy Court allowing the fees and expenses is not a judgment against the debtor for the unpaid fees and expenses based on contract law or otherwise.
- 3. If the case is converted to a case under chapter 7 after approval of the fees and expenses under this agreement but before the payment of all fees and expenses, the attorney will be entitled to an administrative claim in the chapter 7 case for any unpaid fees and expenses, pursuant to section

726(b) of the Bankruptcy Code, plus any conversion fee the attorney pays on behalf of the debtor.

D. RETAINERS AND PREVIOUS PAYMENTS

1. The attorney may receive a retainer or other payment before filing the case but may not
receive fees directly from the debtor after the filing of the case. Unless the following provision is
checked and completed, any retainer received by the attorney will be treated as a security
retainer, to be placed in the attorney's client trust account until approval of a fee application by
the court.

The attorney seeks to have the retainer received by the attorney treated as an advance
payment retainer, which allows the attorney to take the retainer into income immediately
The attorney hereby provides the following further information and representations:

- (a) The special purpose for the advance payment retainer and why it is advantageous to the debtor is as follows:
- (b) The retainer will not be held in a client trust account and will become property of the attorney upon payment and will be deposited into the attorney's general account;
- (c) The retainer is a flat fee for the services to be rendered during the chapter 13 case and will be applied for such services without the need for the attorney to keep detailed hourly time records for the specific services performed for the debtor;
- (d) Any portion of the retainer that is not earned or required for expenses will be refunded to the client; and
- (e) The attorney is unwilling to represent the debtor without receiving an advanced payment retainer because of the nature of the chapter 13 case, the fact that the great majority of services for such case are performed prior to its filing, and the risks associated with the representation of debtors in bankruptcy cases in general.
- 2. In any application for compensation the attorney must disclose to the court any fees or other compensation paid by the debtor to the attorney for any reason within the one year before the case filing.

E. CONDUCT AND DISCHARGE

- 1. *Improper conduct by the attorney*. If the debtor disputes the sufficiency or quality of the legal services provided or the amount of the fees charged by the attorney, the debtor may file an objection with the court and request a hearing.
- 2. *Improper conduct by the debtor*. If the attorney believes that the debtor is not complying with the debtor's responsibilities under this agreement or is otherwise engaging in improper conduct, the attorney may apply for a court order allowing the attorney to withdraw from the case.
- 3. Discharge of the attorney. The debtor may discharge the attorney at any time.

F. ALLOWANCE AND PAYMENT OF ATTORNEYS' FEES AND EXPENSES

- 1. Any attorney retained to represent a debtor in a Chapter 13 case is responsible for representing the debtor on all matters arising in the case unless otherwise ordered by the court. For all of the services outlined above, the attorney will be paid a flat fee of \$4,000.00
- 2. In addition, the debtor will pay the filing fee required in the case of \$310.00
- 3. Before signing this agreement, the attorney has received, \$0.00

toward the flat fee, leaving a balance due of \$4,000.00; and \$0.00 for expenses,

leaving a balance due for the filing fee of \$310.00

4. In extraordinary circumstances, such as extended evidentiary hearings or appeals, the attorney may apply to the court for additional compensation for these services. Any such application must be accompanied by an itemization of the services rendered, showing the date, the time expended, and the identity of the attorney performing the services. The debtor must be served with a copy of the application and notified of the right to appear in court to object.

Date:July 22, 2016	on to appear in communications
Signed:	
/s/ Darrell J Townsend	/s/ Frank G. Cortese
Darrell J Townsend	Frank G. Cortese
	Attorney for the Debtor(s)
Debtor(s)	
Do not sign this agreement if the amou	ints are blank. Local Bankruptcy Form 23c

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United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois

In r	e Darrell J Townsend		Case No.	
		Debtor(s)	Chapter	13
	DISCLOSURE OF COMPEN	NSATION OF ATTO	RNEY FOR DE	BTOR(S)
1.	Pursuant to 11 U.S.C. § 329(a) and Fed. Bankr. P. 2016(compensation paid to me within one year before the filing be rendered on behalf of the debtor(s) in contemplation of	g of the petition in bankruptcy	, or agreed to be paid	to me, for services rendered or to
	For legal services, I have agreed to accept		\$	4,000.00
	Prior to the filing of this statement I have received			0.00
	Balance Due		\$	4,000.00
2.	\$ of the filing fee has been paid.			
3.	The source of the compensation paid to me was:			
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):			
4.	The source of compensation to be paid to me is:			
	■ Debtor □ Other (specify):			
5.	■ I have not agreed to share the above-disclosed compe	ensation with any other person	unless they are memb	pers and associates of my law firm
	☐ I have agreed to share the above-disclosed compensa copy of the agreement, together with a list of the name			
6.	In return for the above-disclosed fee, I have agreed to ret	nder legal service for all aspec	ts of the bankruptcy ca	ase, including:
	a. Analysis of the debtor's financial situation, and renderb. Preparation and filing of any petition, schedules, statec. Representation of the debtor at the meeting of creditod. [Other provisions as needed]	ement of affairs and plan which	h may be required;	
7.	By agreement with the debtor(s), the above-disclosed fee	does not include the following	g service:	
		CERTIFICATION		
this	I certify that the foregoing is a complete statement of any bankruptcy proceeding.	agreement or arrangement for	r payment to me for re	presentation of the debtor(s) in
١,	July 22, 2016	/s/ Frank G. Cort	ese	
_	Date	Frank G. Cortese Signature of Attorno The Cortese Law 22 West Washing Suite 1500 Chicago, IL 6060	e ey o Offices, P.C. gton Street 2 Fax: (312) 268-5151	

Name of law firm

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United States Bankruptcy Court Northern District of Illinois

In re	Darrell J Townsend		Case No.	
		Debtor(s)	_	13
	VER	IFICATION OF CREDITOR MA	TRIX	
		Number of C	reditors:	5
	The above-named Debtor(s) he (our) knowledge.	ereby verifies that the list of creditor	rs is true and co	orrect to the best of my
Date:	July 22, 2016	/s/ Darrell J Townsend Darrell J Townsend Signature of Debtor		

America's Financial Choice, Inc. 2 W. Madison Street 2nd Floor Oak Park, IL 60302

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STATEMENT OF INFORMATION REQUIRED BY 11 U.S.C. §341

INTRODUCTION

Pursuant to the Bankruptcy Reform Act of 1994, the Office of the United States Trustee, United States Department of Justice, has prepared this information sheet to help you understand some of the possible consequences of filing a bankruptcy petition under chapter 7 of the Bankruptcy Code. This information is intended to make you aware of...

- (1) the potential consequences of seeking a discharge in bankruptcy, including the effects on credit history;
- (2) the effect of receiving a discharge of debts
- (3) the effect of reaffirming a debt; and
- (4) your ability to file a petition under a different chapter of the Bankruptcy Code.

There are many other provisions of the Bankruptcy Code that may affect your situation. This information sheet contains only general principles of law and is not a substitute for legal advice. If you have questions or need further information as to how the bankruptcy laws apply to your specific case, you should consult with your lawyer.

WHAT IS A DISCHARGE?

The filing of a chapter 7 petition is designed to result in a discharge of most of the debts you listed on your bankruptcy schedules. A discharge is a court order that says you do not have to repay your debts, but there are a number of exceptions. Debts which may not be discharged in your chapter 7 case include, for example, most taxes, child support, alimony, and student loans; court-ordered fines and restitution; debts obtained through fraud or deception; and personal injury debts caused by driving while intoxicated or taking drugs. Your discharge may be denied entirely if you, for example, destroy or conceal property; destroy, conceal or falsify records; or make a false oath. Creditors cannot ask you to pay any debts which have been discharged. You can only receive a chapter 7 discharge once every eight (8) years.

WHAT ARE THE POTENTIAL EFFECTS OF A DISCHARGE?

The fact that you filed bankruptcy can appear on your credit report for as long as 10 years. Thus, filing a bankruptcy petition may affect your ability to obtain credit in the future. Also, you may not be excused from repaying any debts that were not listed on your bankruptcy schedules or that you incurred after you filed for bankruptcy.

WHAT ARE THE EFFECTS OF REAFFIRMING A DEBT?

After you file your petition, a creditor may ask you to reaffirm a certain debt or you may seek to do so on your own. Reaffirming a debt means that you sign and file with the court a legally enforceable document, which states that you promise to repay all or a portion of the debt that may otherwise have been discharged in your bankruptcy case. Reaffirmation agreements must generally be filed with the court within 60 days after the first meeting of the creditors.

Reaffirmation agreements are strictly voluntary — they are not required by the Bankruptcy Code or other state or federal law. You can voluntarily repay any debt instead of signing a reaffirmation agreement, but there may be valid reasons for wanting to reaffirm a particular debt.

Reaffirmation agreements must not impose an undue burden on you or your dependents and must be in your best interest. If you decide to sign a reaffirmation agreement, you may cancel it at any time before the court issues your discharge order or within sixty (60) days after the reaffirmation agreement was filed with the court, whichever is later. If you reaffirm a debt and fail to make the payments required in the reaffirmation agreement, the creditor can take action against you to recover any property that was given as security for the loan and you may remain personally liable for any remaining debt.

OTHER BANKRUPTCY OPTIONS

You have a choice in deciding what chapter of the Bankruptcy Code will best suit your needs. Even if you have already filed for relief under chapter 7, you may be eligible to convert your case to a different chapter.

Chapter 7 is the liquidation chapter of the Bankruptcy Code. Under chapter 7, a trustee is appointed to collect and sell, if economically feasible, all property you own that is not exempt from these actions.

Chapter 11 is the reorganization chapter most commonly used by businesses, but it is also available to individuals. Creditors vote on whether to accept or reject a plan, which also must be approved by the court. While the debtor normally remains in control of the assets, the court can order the appointment of a trustee to take possession and control of the business.

Chapter 12 offers bankruptcy relief to those who qualify as family farmers. Family farmers must propose a plan to repay their creditors over a three-to-five year period and it must be approved by the court. Plan payments are made through a chapter 12 trustee, who also monitors the debtor's farming operations during the pendency of the plan.

Finally, chapter 13 generally permits individuals to keep their property by repaying creditors out of their future income. Each chapter 13 debtor writes a plan which must be approved by the bankruptcy court. The debtor must pay the chapter 13 trustee the amounts set forth in their plan. Debtors receive a discharge after they complete their chapter 13 repayment plan. Chapter 13 is only available to individuals with regular income whose debts do not exceed \$1,347,500 (\$336,900 in unsecured debts and \$1,010,650 in secured debts).

AGAIN, PLEASE SPEAK TO YOUR LAWYER IF YOU NEED FURTHER INFORMATION OR EXPLANATION, INCLUDING HOW THE BANKRUPTCY LAWS RELATE TO YOUR SPECIFIC CASE.

/s/ Darrell J Townsend	July 22, 2016
Debtor's Signature	Date

11 U.S.C. § 527(a)(2) Disclosure

In accordance with section 527(a)(2) of the Bankruptcy Code, be advised that:

- 1. All information that you are required to provide with a bankruptcy petition and during a bankruptcy case must be complete, accurate, and truthful.
- 2. All assets and liabilities must be completely and accurately disclosed, with the replacement value of each asset as defined in section 506 listed after reasonable inquiry to establish such value.
- 3. Current monthly income, the amounts specified in the "means test" under section 707(b)(2), and disposable income in chapter 13 cases must be stated after reasonable inquiry.
- 4. Information that you provide during your bankruptcy case may be audited, and the failure to provide such information may result in dismissal of the case or other sanction, including a criminal sanction.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION ABOUT BANKRUPTCY ASSISTANCE SERVICES FROM AN ATTORNEY OR BANKRUPTCY PETITION PREPARER.

If you decide to seek bankruptcy relief, you can represent yourself, you can hire an attorney to represent you, or you can get help in some localities from a bankruptcy petition preparer who is not an attorney. THE LAW REQUIRES AN ATTORNEY OR BANKRUPTCY PETITION PREPARER TO GIVE YOU A WRITTEN CONTRACT SPECIFYING WHAT THE ATTORNEY OR BANKRUPTCY PETITION PREPARER WILL DO FOR YOU AND HOW MUCH IT WILL COST. Ask to see the contract before you hire anyone.

The following information helps you understand what must be done in a routine bankruptcy case to help you evaluate how much service you need. Although bankruptcy can be complex, many cases are routine.

Before filing a bankruptcy case, either you or your attorney should analyze your eligibility for different forms of debt relief available under the Bankruptcy Code and which form of relief is most likely to be beneficial for you. Be sure you understand the relief you can obtain and its limitations. To file a bankruptcy case, documents called a Petition, Schedules, and Statement of Financial Affairs, and in some cases a Statement of Intention, need to be prepared correctly and filed with the bankruptcy court. You will have to pay a filing fee to the bankruptcy court. Once your case starts, you will have to attend the required first meeting of the creditors where you may be questioned by a court official called a 'trustee' and by creditors.

If you choose to file a chapter 7 case, you may be asked by a creditor to reaffirm a debt. You may want help deciding whether to do so. A creditor is not permitted to coerce you into reaffirming your debts.

If you choose to file a chapter 13 case in which you repay your creditors what you can afford over 3 to 5 years, you may also want help with preparing your chapter 13 plan and with the confirmation hearing on your plan which will be before a bankruptcy judge.

If you select another type of relief under the Bankruptcy Code other than chapter 7 or chapter 13, you will want to find out what should be done from someone familiar with that type of relief.

Your bankruptcy case may also involve litigation. You are generally permitted to represent yourself in litigation in bankruptcy court, but only attorneys, not bankruptcy petition preparers, can give you legal advice.